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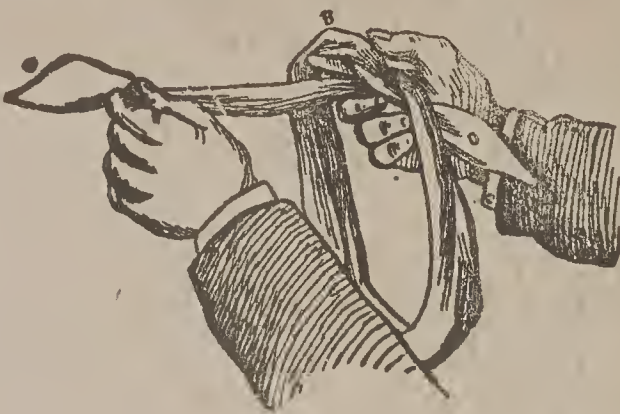
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HEY called him "Sis" because he knew how to sew, wash dishes and make beds. He was not popular among the boys on that account, except when they went camping and found him indispen-

sable as a dish-washer and cook.

Irving Long—that was his real name—was confined about the house most of the time out of school hours because he had various duties to perform which properly belonged to the house maid, and this left him little time for out-door sports with the other boys. Irving and his mother lived alone in a small house in the village—a typical village of colonial days, composed of a bunch of houses, several stores and a meeting-house. There was also a secret powder magazine, belonging to the continental army, in some part of the town, but few knew where it was located. What I know about

Irving and the story I am about to relate concerning him, has been handed down to me from my great-grandfather, who happened to be one of the boys living in the village at the time this story took place. It happened in what is known to history as the revolutionary period.

One day the boys thought they would go off gunning and invite "Sis" along, as they intended to cook their dinner in the woods, and needed his assistance. They had also planned to play a joke on him on the way home by traveling around in the woods until he should lose the direction homeward, and then during a game of hide-and-seek, when Irving was "it," give him the slip, and let him find his way home as best he could.

If you will turn to your histories you will find that in the month of September, 1777, General Howe, with a large British army, was marching towards Philadelphia, believing that if Philadelphia could be taken the predominance of Great Britain in America would be at once assured and the war

speedily brought to a close. Washington, aware of this danger, was making every effort to check the royal army. On the advance of Howe, General Washington retreated across the Brandywine, a rivulet or creek which falls into the Delaware at Wilmington. He took post with his main body opposite Chad's Ford, where it was expected the British would attempt the passage. Meanwhile Howe was slowly marching over the country doing great havoc to farm houses and whole villages along the route. On the afternoon of the 10th of the month some British officers heard rifle shots in the woods to the left of their march. Believing they came from continental troops marching to join Washington, a detachment was sent towards them, with orders to proceed to the next town and take possession of it. The rifle shots came from the boy gunners we have just mentioned. The town was the one Irving lived in.

The gunning expedition was a success, and by afternoon the boys had a large string of game to take home. But shortly after dinner they became aware that they were not the only gunners in the woods. Distant shots were fired from another quarter and the reports grew louder. On a distant hill the boys spied a red coat! Soon a company of them was seen marching towards them, and the boys were naturally very much frightened. They ran for the nearest house, which was a mile away, and when they reached it they were met by old lame Damon who came hobbling out towards them very much excited.

"Do you see the red coats over on the hill, boys? They are comin' this way—makin' straight for the town. We must get news to Washington for help or we shall lose everything. See! the hill is fairly crowded with them red-backed lobsters. There must be a thousand of 'em. If I had my legs I'd mount Jerry, my fastest horse, and get around that hill, and back of it somehow, and get help from Washington who is now at Chad's Ford across the way. It must be done at once before the British get possession of the powder magazine. What boy in the crowd will volunteer to go?" said the old man.

There was a dead silence. It was a risk to run which few boys then or now would have cared to try. To escape the detachment of Howe's army and get in the rear, to ride over unbroken ground and ford the stream, would be a match for the skill of any well-trained horseman. The old man tried to persuade first one, then another boy to go, starting with the tallest and strongest in the crowd, but his efforts with these were useless. Finally a small boy came forward from the rear and offered, since none of the larger boys were willing to go, to do his best



towards carrying the news to Washington. To the amazement of the crowd this boy was Irving. Damon, who was a personal friend of Washington and a disabled officer, scribbled off a note warning the General of the danger of an attack upon the town by the British, and begged for help. Then he harnessed his swiftest horse and seated the boy on her, after giving him directions for the journey. Meanwhile the other boys sneaked off, at a rapid pace, and did not stop running until they reached home, five miles away. When they got there they were not long in spreading the news of the approaching British battalion. The danger which threatened the town and the store of powder secreted there was apparent to everyone who heard the news.

It was a time of breathless suspense. Families hurried to and fro, carrying their treasures to hiding places in the woods and quarries. The sick were being moved from their comfortable beds into fields for safety. Little children clung to their parents and seemed to understand the danger of the moment quite as much as did their elders. Although much in the short time was removed from the town, the houses stood as marks for the British rifles, and there was danger of a general conflagration which would have wiped the town out of existence.

The British were now close upon the town, but in advance of them, coming by a circuitous route, rode a horseman at a rapid pace. Irving had delivered his message and was returning to tell his people to hold their ground for a short while until help would arrive.

Already a detachment of Colonial troops had been sent from Washington's headquarters. A cloud of dust on the hill-tops told of their coming. The British commander saw the enemy in his rear and called a halt on a high point of land several hundred rods from the town. He did not think it best to advance farther, owing to the location of the town, and because his men needed rest before engaging with the enemy. That halt saved the town.

The Colonists did not keep in the rear of the British, but choosing the road Irving had taken, marched rapidly into the town from the right, before the British were aware of their manoeuvre.

Night was approaching, and the British decided to retreat under cover of darkness, rather than run any risk of meeting the Continental troops at so great a distance from their main army. Consequently when the sun rose the next morning there was not a trace of a British soldier to be found anywhere around, and all danger to the town was passed.

Irving, who had become the hero of the day, received more congratulations in the next twenty-four hours than he was able to attend to, and his aged mother had to be called into the receiving room to help share the honors bestowed upon our hero by visitors who came from far and near to see the brave boy.

That evening the boys of the village came in a body to pay their respects to their playmate who was no longer to be called "Sis." Irving met them in the yard and modestly received their congratulations, although it was his turn now to assume an air of indifference and consider himself above every boy in the crowd. "You have called me 'Sis' to my displeasure, and you now wish to be pardoned for the insult," he finally said. "I forgive you for any wrong you have done me, but let me tell you why you have called me that name. My father died when I was young, and mother, who was then and has since been almost blind, could not afford to keep a girl to do the housework. I was the only child, and the work fell upon me, and I am not ashamed of it."

And thereafter the boys admired Irving all the more. In place of "Sis" they called him "Brother," and made him the leader in all their games and sports.

## THE TORY MAID.

A Tale of Washington and His Time.

BY JOHN J. a'BECKET.

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THE girl stepped out of the cave and cast an anxious glance, first down, then up, the bank of the river. It was early morning, and the broad stretch of the York was beginning to catch gleams of the October sun on its slate blue ripples.

"Why does not Sambo come?" she exclaimed feverishly.

Mildred Trent's face was somewhat pale, but her eyes flashed with dark luminousness and her slender form was erect with proud determination. She made no effort to disguise her intense craving for news. The rattle of the siege guns, the noisy turbulence of the hot contest, was stilled. But had Lord Cornwallis silenced the colonists, or had this desperate attack of the Federalists wrested from him the town he had fortified against them?

The possibility of the latter brought Page Yorke to her fancy again, and she heaved once more, as she had done a thousand times before during this fearful siege, a sigh of complex emotion. Oh, why did not Sambo come and relieve this wearing tension? At the beginning of this armed revolt against the home government Page Yorke's father had shouldered his gun and gone forth under the command of his friend, General George Washington, of Mount Vernon. Two years later he had let it fall, as he sank himself, killed by a bullet. Then this hot youth of 19 had taken his father's place, and for five years she had not seen him. She and Miss Aylward, her aunt, had led a forlorn life here in the little village of Yorktown, which had but now been the center of so fierce a contest. And she did not yet know whether the battle was to king or colonist; whether her playmate and boy lover was somewhere near, flushed with victory, or— But she would not think of that!

If Cornwallis had won, it might mean the end. If the colonists had made their fight and lost, Page Yorke might with good grace fall into his place once more—a Virginia gentleman, subject to the king—and life move again on the old time, easy wing.

With a parting glance in every direction, she turned and slowly re-entered the cave. It was an opening in a marl bluff on the bank of the broad river, some 12 feet wide by 18 or 20 in depth. The more retired part was dry, and a level ledge had offered the women a resting place at night. They

had come there with Dinah when the massively built house of Governor Nelson, instead of proving the safe refuge they had imagined, was hit so often by the fearfully crashing shot and shell that it seemed to be a special target for the colonial gunners. As a matter of fact, the patriotic governor, commanding the Virginia militia in the reserve, or second line of the left wing of the besieging colonists, fearing his solid two story brick house might afford shelter to the British, had offered a reward of 5 guineas to every gunner who hit it with his fire.

Miss Trent had not long rejoined her aunt, who, wrapped in a thick shawl against the chill temperature of the cave, shivered more from nervous apprehension than the autumnal air when a negro with grizzled wool shambled into view at the mouth of their retreat, his eyes rolling and his breathing showing evidence of great excitement.

"Fore de Lawd, Miss Aylward an Miss Mildred!" he panted. "Dat British general hab got to march forth an lay his whole army at de triumphant feet ob General Massa George Wah'n'ton. Bress de Lawd, we am all saved!"

"Saved!" exclaimed Miss Aylward, clasping her hands and flashing a look of indignation on the jubilant negro. "We are left as prey to this rebel Virginian, who has been the backbone of a needless uprising against his king. My child," she added bitterly, turning toward her niece and using the very phrase with which Lord North later heard the news of Cornwallis' surrender, "all is lost."

"Be just, at least, aunt," retorted her niece, with spirit. "From all I have heard General Washington is more likely to be conquered by ladies than to be their harsh oppressor. He hangs rebels to his own cause, but I do not fancy he will harm women simply because they have not cast off allegiance to their king. Besides, Page Yorke may be among these very troops who have won, and, after the unbounded devotion of his father and himself to the cause, he should have some influence with General Washington."

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 A figure looms,  
 Unneedful of encomiast,  
 Unheedful of iconoclast;  
 Fixed as the Dooms.  
 Though sculptors, painters, poets, strive,  
 And statesmen plan.  
 There is no art that can contrive  
 A monument which will survive  
 That simple man.

2

Unmindful whether fickle Fame  
 Might smile or frown.  
 He touched his torch to Freedom's flame  
 And led, unheeding whose the name  
 That got renown—  
 Led on where Justice waged her fight  
 With Tyranny.  
 And in that bitter, dismal night  
 He set sweet Freedom's glorious light  
 For you and me.

3

Let but the simple tale be told,  
 And far above  
 The reach of time's obscuring mold  
 A grateful world will ever hold  
 The name we love;  
 Let Truth the purposes proclaim  
 Of him, her son,  
 And man will bid his servant, Fame,  
 To keep forever bright the name  
 Of Washington.

4

But, brother, what of us, for whom  
 That light was set?  
 Shall greed of golden power consume  
 The land he beckoned from the gloom?  
 Shall we forget  
 To trim the lamp and set it high  
 For those to come,  
 And in rapacious hearts deny  
 Our love e'en while our voices cry  
 Eulogium?

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"Mildred," said her aunt sadly, "It is not my fault if the child of my English brother speaks of rebels with a leniency that is more than justice."

"I hate a traitor!" she flung back hotly. "I can admire that noble young Frenchman who, subject of his Christian majesty, left home, wife, wealth and his own ambitions and interests to come here and use his sword against this wretched renegade. But don't let us talk about that now. Sambo, you must go out again and see if you can find out anything about Mr. Yorke. If he is among these besieging troops, he may like to hear that we are still alive. Tell him," she concluded impulsively, "that victory does not prove a cause in the right, and that Miss Mildred Trent will be glad, for the sake of old times and ties, to welcome him to the home he has helped to make desolate."

"Oh, missy! Ah couldn' tell him no such haash thing as that, an him a-comin back to his own poor, gone to ruin place."

He shuffled off. By 1 o'clock he had not returned. To their other worries they now had added the wonder whether anything could have befallen him. Then at half past 1 the sound of drums beating a British march was borne to them faintly. It was too much for Miss Trent's eager ears. Her high spirit chafing intolerably under the suspense, she vehemently declared her inability to endure longer the cruel suspense and declared that she must sally out and learn what was happening. Dinah was with her querulous aunt, and, despite protests, she left them and made her way along the river side. Scaling the slightly elevated ground on which the straggling

village lay, she finally came to a stand a little aloof from the long street which was the artery of the settlement. At the other end of the village the rank and file of defeated Britishers were marching out, their colors cased and their drums beating with despairing venom the crushed pride their sullen faces still more revealed.

As if under a charm, the girl followed at a distance the drooping lines of scarlet—followed them until she beheld the wrathful Britons ground their arms in a field half a mile from the village. Some of the soldiers hurled their weapons to the earth with a savage violence which broke them, and one officer bit his sword in impotent fury at surrendering it to a victorious colonial rebel. She remarked with some wonder the absence of Lord Cornwallis.

Finding how little attention she excited, Miss Trent decided to push on



and see what effect, if any, the fierce storm of shot and shell which the colonists had let loose on the Yorktown fortifications had had on the home of her aunt.

She had begun to move slowly along when a small group of colonials discovered her. A tall, commanding figure in a not too smart uniform, who seemed to dominate the group, sent an officer to her. She halted, her head erect and her eyes fixed steadily on him, though her heart beat violently.

"His excellency General Washington has ordered me to inquire if he can be of any service to you, miss," he said, doffing his hat.

"Tell General Washington that he is



"I HATE A TRAITOR!"

proffering his aid to Miss Mildred Trent, a woman who has not forsworn her allegiance to the ruler of these colonies. Mr. Washington of Mount Vernon has partaken of the hospitality of my father's house, as he also has of that of our good neighbor, Mr. Guy Yorke, whose son, for all I know, may have been sacrificed, like his father, in this revolt. Thank him for a courtesy which still breathes of Virginia and tell him I hope I may go without molestation to see if his shells have left to my aunt and myself enough of our humble dwelling for us to find shelter in."

"If you will remain here, I will deliver your message," replied the officer, a half smile on his lips at the fiery grandiloquence of the fair Tory.

It was not long before he was back with a request from General Washington that Miss Trent would do him the honor to come to him.

Her cheeks flamed. Was this a conqueror's pleasantry to a woman foe? She spoke rapidly, without as much heed of her words as of her pride and wounded feeling. "You may tell General Washington that he can, as a victor, command my presence, but if he has not forgotten the teachings of Virginia mothers to their sons he will recall that a gentleman does not bid a lady whom he would see come to him, but comes to her!"

The officer hesitated slightly, then with an even more amused air departed on his new mission. Miss Trent was not above watching keenly to see how her audacious words were received. Apparently the messenger was sent off on some other quest, for he

posted away and soon returned with a young man of about 25. To her dismay Miss Trent saw General Washington and this youth start in her direction. Was she to be made prisoner for her saucy words? As they drew nearer she noticed that the young fellow carried his right arm in a sling. There was a look about his clear, blue eyes and resolute face which seemed familiar; the face resembled one which she had not seen for five years. But that small, silky mustache concealed the lines of the mouth.

"Miss Trent," said the erect, strong featured general, his keen eyes and aggressive lines of countenance softening a little under his gallant air. "you have recalled to me two friends, thorough Virginians, one of whom has laid down his life, as the other would have willingly done, I believe, had he not died before we struck our blow for independence, appealing from the king in the only way possible—to the god of battle. This is the son of one of them, worthy of his sire. He has been wounded by your friends. But for that he would now be coursing as fast as horse could carry him to Philadelphia to apprise the congress that we have trimmed the spurs of the gamest cock in the pit. The colonies will soon see England admitting their entire independence."

"Corporal Yorke," he continued, turning to his youthful companion, "I knowing you to be no less a gentleman than a patriot, consign this fair Tory into your custody. I need only recall to you," he added, with a twinkle in his eye, though he retained his severe courtesy of air, "that the terms of surrender with which General Cornwallis has complied were directed by us. Any aid I may supply you for bringing this beautiful foe to terms you can command. Miss Yorke, I know you, the daughter of one of my old friends, will suffer no harm from Corporal Yorke, the worthy son of another."

He bowed and extended his hand. Miss Trent, her cheeks ablaze, grasped it and in the excitement of the moment—he had certainly spoken with all a Virginian's deference and elegance—answered its respectful pressure. He turned and was off, striding away with energetic but stately bearing.

"Mildred! We have won!" exclaimed Corporal Yorke, eagerly stretching out his hand to her.

"Page! You are back! I am glad of that!" Her eyes grew suddenly moist. With her old saucy air she hastened to say: "I am your prisoner, so I will now permit you to take me to our old homes. I am anxious to see what they look like. They may offer you only a smoky welcome."

She cast a quick rueful glance around on the horribly plowed up ground and shattered look of the small village.

"Mildred, for myself I do not care if they are in ashes. I have sacrificed more than that for the cause. We have won the greatest victory of the war. It is the beginning of the end at least. Ashes are a good fertilizer. I am too glad to be back, to see you again, to think of anything else, although," he went on, with a sudden change to a more serious manner, "I could work to build them up and mend our fortunes better, Mildred, with a lighter heart, if you were to share my labor, my lot, with me, though I have not much to

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"MILDRED! WE HAVE WON!" offer you now," he added, a cloud settling on his wan face.

His simple words stirred a strange flood of emotions in the sensitive girl. Their dear old childish intimacy, this pathetic appeal of her boy lover, now a wounded gallant soldier, whose loyalty she had heard praised by the commander in chief of the colonial forces—and it was loyalty that had made her cleave to the mother country and king—the sense that one word would make the dreary void of the past five years give way to the solace of his encompassing care and protection; last, not least, the sense that the noble fellow needed her, wounded not alone in body, but in soul—oh, it was too much! There could be but one resultant to these complex emotions.

She turned toward him with smiling lips and humid eyes, put forth her hands in mock submission and said with hypocritical meekness: "I am your prisoner. I must do whatever you say, Corporal Yorke."

"Corporal Yorke is honored in receiving Miss Trent's submission. Now lay down your arms—I, e., kiss me, Milly, and then we will go to look at the old places, as we will face everything else hereafter together."

"Oh, Page, look out for your arm!"

It was in the fragrant gloom of the pine wood, and no one saw the second surrender of that memorable Friday, Oct. 19, 1781, when a wholesome Tory maid, unlike the scowling ranks of Cornwallis' men, laid down her arms, with a smile.

#### Riddle of the Pennies.

Two playmates met one another accidentally on a Saturday afternoon while "running errands" for some ladies, when one said to the other, "How many pennies have you earned today, Willie?" Willie replied, "Tell me how many you have earned first, and then I will tell you how many I have got." After Willie was told he said, "I have so many pennies that if I give you one of mine you will have as many as I, but if you give me one of your pennies I will have twice as many as you." As the other boy could not guess what Willie had who can help him and also find how many pennies the other boy had?



## WASHINGTON A WIDE AWAKE

Habits and Diversions of the Boy and Man.

BY E. VON KAMANN.

According to tradition, George Washington's youth was not altogether exemplary. As a boy he was awkward and shy and showed no promise of the leadership that in late life won him the first honors of his country. It is recounted that when he was about 14 years old his half brother, Lawrence, in common with the rest of the family, began to be troubled about the future of George. He seemed to show



HE WAS GIVEN TO HUNTING.

no special talent and was given to passing his time in hunting and fishing. To the Widow Washington, a good, sensible woman of the old Virginia type, these seemed unthrifty occupations. On the whole, he presented rather a difficult problem for his friends to solve. A family counsel was held to decide his future. With his military bent the royal navy seemed to be the only course open. But his mother would not hear of it. She had been struck with terror at the tidings of the death of Thomas Fairfax, who fell during an engagement with M. Bourdonay, commander of a French squadron on the India coast. The naval scheme was abandoned. Shortly after this the sixth Lord Fairfax came from England. He, too, was devoted to hunting and fishing. George and he often met on day long excursions and soon became very close friends. It was by the aid of loans from Lord Fairfax that George Washington was able to continue his studies and prepare himself for civil engineering.

When Washington was but a poor and unimportant surveyor, by no means handsome or distinguished looking, he found his way into the brilliant family circle of Colonel Wilson Carey, a gentleman of great wealth, who lived upon the lower James, and fell a prey to the charms of Miss Sally, one of the daughters, then a belle. Sally Carey, afterward Mrs. George William Fairfax, was the leading beauty and toast of her day. It is related of her that, passing into the town of Williamsburg late one evening, accompanied by her maid, she was challenged by an imperious sentry. Confused and surprised, she gave her own name. "Pass," said the sentry instantly, and Miss Carey hurried on, unconsciously profiting by the gallantry of the officer who had chosen the password of the night. And this beauty refused the proposal of marriage made to her by George Washington.

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A marked trait about Washington's character was his fastidiousness in the choice of his clothes. There can be little question that he was early in life a good deal of a dandy and that his liking for fine feathers never quite left him. Year after year he planned every little detail for his tailor's directions, designating the kind and quality of cloth, the number of buttons and their respective positions, the quantity of gold or silver lace, etc. And yet in 1783 he wrote his nephew, "Do not conceive that fine clothes make fine men more



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Mrs. Washington and myself have been honored with your polite invitation to the assemblies of Alexandria this winter and thank you for this mark of your attention. But, alas, our dancing days are no more! We wish, however, all those who have a relish for so agreeable and innocent an amusement all the pleasure the season will afford them, and I am, gentlemen, your most obedient and obliged humble servant,

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

## THACKERAY'S TRIBUTE.

Words of High Praise From the  
Cynical English Novelist.

To a wide circle of readers it must be a matter for surprise that Thackeray, the confirmed and ruthless cynic whose caustic pen was turned against friend as well as foe, and held up to ridicule British as well as alien idols, had the grace and fine discrimination to eulogize Washington in the noblest language which a lofty and admiring mind could well conceive. The paragraphs here quoted are from Thackeray's famous novel "The Virginians."

The first tribute is the author's direct utterance and is brought out in the course of a historical narrative which introduces the Revolutionary period.

"It was strange," he says, "that in a savage forest of Pennsylvania a young Virginia officer should fire a shot and waken up a war which was to last for 60 years, which was to cover his own country and pass into Europe, to cost France her American colonies, to sever ours (England's) from us and create the great western republic, to rage over the old world when extinguished in the new; and of all the myriads engaged in the vast contest to leave the prize of the greatest fame with him who struck the first blow!"

The author works out the details of Washington's career in the course of the story and leaves it to two of his characters, George Warrington, an able, high minded Tory, and his brother Harry, a patriot close to Washington, to bear him out in the tribute which stands at the portal of the structure. Speaking of Washington

when at the zenith, Warrington the Tory says:

"What a constancy, what a magnanimity, what a surprising persistency against fortune! Washington before the enemy was no better or braver than hundreds that fought with him or against him (who has not heard the sneers against 'Fabius' in which his factious captains were accustomed to indulge), but Washington, the chief of a nation in arms, doing battle with distracted parties; calm in the midst of conspiracy, serene against the open foe before him and the darker enemies at his back; Washington inspiring order and spirit into troops hungry and in rags; stung by ingratitude, but betraying no anger and ever ready to forgive; in defeat invincible, magnanimous in conquest and never so sublime as when he laid down his victorious sword and sought his noble retirement—here indeed is a character to admire and revere, a life without a stain, a fame without a flaw. Quando invenies parem? (Where will the equal be found?) In that more extensive work which I have planned and partly written upon the subject of the great war I hope I have done justice to the character of its greatest leader. And this from the sheer force of respect which his eminent virtues extorted. With the young Mr. Washington of my own days I had not the honor to enjoy much sympathy, though my brother, whose character is much more frank and affectionate than mine, was always his fast friend in early times, when they were equals, as in the latter days when the general, as I do own and think, was all mankind's superior.

"His great and surprising triumphs," continues George Warrington's eulogy, "were not in those rare engagements with the enemy where he obtained a trifling mastery, but over congress, over hunger and disease, over lukewarm friends or smiling foes in his own camps whom his spirit had to meet and master. When the struggle was over and our impotent chiefs who had conducted it began to squabble and accuse each other in their own defense before the nation, what charges and countercharges were brought, what pretenses of delay were urged, what piteous excuses were put forward that this fleet arrived too late, that regiment mistook its orders, that these cannon balls would not fit those guns and so to the end of the chapter! Here was a general who beat us with no shot at all at times and no powder and no money, and he never thought of a convention. His courage never capitulated. Through all the doubt and darkness, the danger and long tempest of war, I think it was only the American leader's indomitable soul that remained entirely steady."



"FIRED THE FIRST SHOT."

While Washington was being discussed among a company of noted Virginians, Harry Warrington spoke of his bearing in the crisis brought about by the infamous Conway conspiracy.

"And it was here," said he, "as I looked at the chief talking at night in the silence of the camp and remembered how lonely he was, what an awful responsibility he carried, how spies and traitors were eating out of his dish and an enemy lay in front of him who might at any time overpower him, that I thought: 'Sure, this is the



greatest man now in the world. And what a wretch I am to think of my jealousies and annoyances whilst he is walking serenely under his immense cares!"

To this George Warrington the Tory responded: "We talked but now of Wolfe. Here, indeed, is a greater man than Wolfe. To endure is greater than to dare. Who can say this is not greatness or show the other Englishman who has achieved so much?"

### The Young Patriots On Memorial Day.

There flourishes in one of our little New England villages a society known as the Knights of King Arthur. Its members are half grown boys, who, like their namesakes, the knights of old, are pledged to lead pure and noble lives.

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The girls were linked together by their common friendship and their common aim—to do good whenever and wherever they could.

The boys had taken the three degrees—good, better, best—they declared, as in succession they became pages, then esquires, then knights, and were allow-



THE FIERY BULB NEARLY STRANGLED HIM. ed to wear the red cross. They were indeed trying to imitate their historic example, King Arthur, though there would now and then crop out a bit of slang, or they would play a few familiar tricks which they had been in the habit of trying before they took the degrees. But they were the same fun

lovers, and this afternoon there was a tangled mass of boys on the campus, tossing, pitching, tumbling, rolling—an indescribable mass of humanity. But at last the scattered heads, legs and arms were assorted and distributed among their owners, and the football game was ended.

The heated players threw themselves down to rest beneath the shade of an old elm, and the girls who had been watching the game crowded around with congratulations.

Finally Jack Finch succeeded in getting his breath enough to say: "Honest, I think this is the sleepest town in the United States. Guess what I heard today? Well, they're not going to have a mite of a celebration for Decoration day."

"You couldn't expect them to do much," said Tom Wheeler. "There are only three veterans living in town, and one of them's sick with rheumatism, one is visiting in Vermont, and the other one's my father, and he's in the store every minute he's awake."

"But it's a shame, just the same," declared Marion Crandall warmly. "Mother says the brave soldiers are our knights, that when our country needed them they put on their uniforms, said 'goodby' to their wives and children and went off to battle. I think we better show we honor these men who died for our country."

"I always longed to be a soldier or a hunter," sighed Bob Palmer. "but mercy, mother would worry if I should shoot gingerbread bullets out of a toy gun."

"We better stick to our text," advised his sister May. "and that's planning something for Decoration."

"We might speak a few pieces," ventured Sarah Robbs.

"Don't catch me speaking pieces," said Lu Hatfield. "It scares me so my knees clap together like a pair of bones."

"But what shall we do?" asked May. Tom looked thoughtful, Jack puzzled, Sarah hopeless, but Marion found the silver lining to the cloud, and, joyfully clapping her hands, she exclaimed: "We'll make a bouquet for each of the soldier's graves if we can't do anything else. Let's have a flower hunt tomorrow night after school."

The world is all abloom, from the flower laden trees to the timid violets hiding by the brookside. The warm sun has coaxed the fuzzy pussywillows from their snug winter beds, the dandelions, daisies and buttercups lift up their yellow faces to the sun, sprays of Solomon's seal with its nodding, creamy bells; trillium—rich maroon and White mountain laurel, with its dark green foliage and its showy clusters of bloom, all tell of the plant resurrection. A bluebird sings his few sweet notes, and a bevy of swallows skim through the air in twittering flight.

The door of the schoolroom bursts open and out comes a noisy troop of boys and girls. With one accord they rush for the woods to gather the spoils of springtime.

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"Jack can vault like a grasshopper, and he's stronger than steam," said Carl admiringly. "But I should like him better if he didn't cut up so many didos and monkey shines."

"His name is just right for him—the Jackanapes," panted Lu, trying to keep up with the crowd.

"Hello, here's a Jack-in-the-pulpit," exclaimed Carl, securing the prize.

"Let's see it," shouted Jack, retracing his steps. "Come on, all of you, Carl's got an Indian turnip. Ever taste of one?" he asked of Lu. "Well, then, just take a good, generous bite and swallow it quicker'n three jumps of a flea. Wait till I wash it up in the brook, and then the rest of you can have a turn."

Jack had managed to set off the palatableness of the Indian turnip in such great shape that the boys and girls were all on tiptoe for a nibble.

But it is needless to say that Lu was the only victim, for the fiery bulb nearly strangled him.

Jack was thrown down by his laughing mates and playfully pounded till Shoofly began to resent such treatment, and then the trickster was allowed to struggle to his feet, while Lu oh-ed and ah-ed as he attempted to free his mouth from the burning morsel.

"Whew! The wind blows enough to blow the feathers off the hens," declared Ray as he chased the battered straw hat which had done more service in catching pollywogs than it had as headgear.

"It'll tan us up like blackamoors and take the crimp out of our hair," laughed Carl, giving Sarah's ear a playful tweak.

"Nonsense! Who cares if it does? Just you listen while I tell my fortune," she said as, petal by petal, she mutilated a daisy, muttering as she did so:

"Rich man, poor man, beggar man, thief,  
Doctor, lawyer, merchant, priest."

"I'm going to marry a merchant. Goody, goody, gee, then I can have lots of dresses."

"But we must be starting for home," cautioned Marion. "We've got flowers enough, and it's almost dark."

"Oh," shivered May, "and I'm awfully afraid in the dark. I'm always thinking of ghosts and thieves and witches."

"Puh! I wouldn't be a 'fraid cat," said Jack, mischief brewing. "But whist! What's that I hear? Lions, I guess."

May screamed girlishly. "Oh, Jack, are there lions up here on Brown hill?"

"Piles of them—dandelions," chuckled the young tormentor.

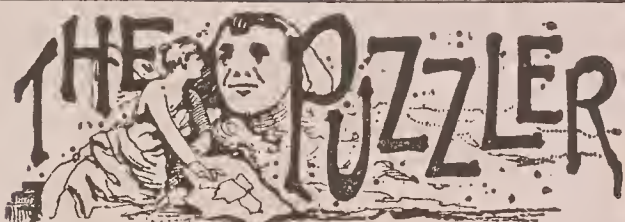
It was twilight when these merry men and maidens reached home with their flowers, and the next morning the young patriots, each with a flag and a bouquet, went to the graves of the fallen heroes and left their sweet tributes of remembrance.—Cora Gilbert Lane in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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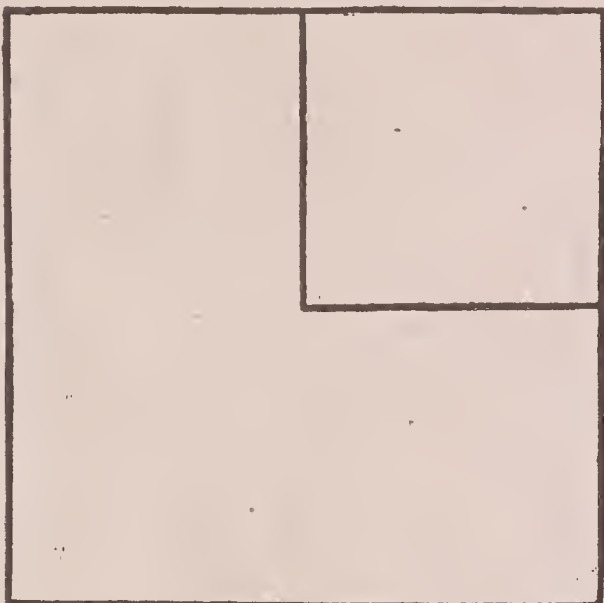




### No. 31.—Enigmatical Rivers.

1. A landing place; one of the vowels.
2. To separate; the fourteenth letter of the alphabet.
3. To fail; part of the verb "to be;" to drink by small drafts; a consonant; a vowel.
4. The title of an unmarried lady; a pronoun; one of the vowels.
5. A spring; a conjunction

### No. 32.—A Land Puzzle.



A man who has a square tract of land reserves one fourth for himself, as in the diagram, and divides the remainder among his four sons in such a way that each son shares equally with his brother and in similar shape. How does he divide it?

### No. 33.—Word Zigzag.



The left vertical of three large stars, "an instrument for propelling;" the second, also reading downward, "the last;" the third, "a mass of metal and earth;" the fourth, "an unctuous fluid;" the upper left slant of three, the call of a certain bird; the slant of five, the name and fruit of a certain tree of semitropical regions; the second slant of five, a goddess of poetry; the third of five, "an olio;" the last of three, a certain tree of temperate climes; the second left slant of three, a plant and the beverage obtained from it; the slant of five, the beautiful fruit of the last named tree; the second of five, "opposed to zenith;" the third of five, a Jewish doctor of divinity, or doctor of the law; the last of three, an article freely consumed in warm weather; the lowest left slant of three, a substance obtained from the pine tree; the slant of five, "furious," "raging;" the second of five, "one of the people dwelling on Mount Lebanon, in Syria, and speaking Arabic; their religion is peculiar to themselves and involved in some mystery;" the third of five, part of the outfit of a painter; the last slant of three, "a cover."

### No. 34.—Geographical Diagonal.

When the words have been rightly guessed and written one below the other, the diagonal, beginning at the upper left hand letter and ending with the lower right hand letter, will spell the name of a country of especial interest of late.

Crosswords: 1. The capital of a southern state. 2. A river of South America. 3. One of the islands of the Malay archipelago. 4. A river in western New York. 5. A

city of Arizona. 6. An African republic. 7. An island belonging to China.

### No. 35.—Hourglass.

My centrals, reading downward, spell the name of a musician who was born in July, 1714. Crosswords: 1. A bundle of sticks. 2. Entire. 3. In plucky. 4. To perform. 5. A jester.

### No. 36.—Girls' Names—Anagrams.

1. Hit a crane. 2. Hoard. 3. Real coin.
4. The bar. 5. E. sang. 6. Thy door. 7. H. bored A.

### No. 37.—Decapitation.

Some pride themselves upon the ALL  
That they can TWO a monstrous meal,  
But if their stomachs are not small  
Their heads essential lacks reveal.

To swallow eggs a score or more,  
Or oysters by the dozen raw,  
But proves the boasting one a bore.  
Who cares for his capacious maw?

The only recompense for us  
In the recurring issue lies,  
That he who vaunts his courage thus  
Sometimes, through his imprudence, dies.

### No. 38.—Single Acrostic.

My initials spell the name of a writer.  
1. A large piece of water. 2. A vegetable. 3. A place where birds live. 4. Something growing in a field. 5. Something you often seen in the winter. 6. An imaginary being. 7. To be gay. 8. A sign of mirth. 9. A tree. 10. A transparent substance.

### A Remarkable Word.

There is a word of three syllables, from which, if you take away five letters, a male will remain; if you take away four, a female will be conspicuous; if you take away three, a great man will appear, and the whole word presents you with a great woman. What is this word?

He, her, hero, heroine.

### Key to the Puzzler.

- No. 22.—Numerical: Orchard.  
No. 23.—Synecopations: 1. Dah-L-lia, geran-I-um, harebe-L-l, hone-Y-suckle. 2. O R-chis, magn-O-lia, mo-S-s, n-E-ttle. 3. Larks-P-ur, hel-I-otrope, hyaci-N-th, periw-K-le—LILY, ROSE, PINK.  
No. 24.—Single Acrostic: Warwick—1. Willie. 2. Arm. 3. Robin. 4. Whistle. 5. Ire. 6. Cat. 7. Kite.  
No. 25.—Charade—Motor (moat, mote; or, ore):  
I trow a bridge may span a MOAT,  
E'en though the moat be dry,  
But I'd suggest perhaps the MOTE  
Was in your brother's eye.  
I grant you OR is difficult  
Exactly to explain,  
But whether ORE is hard to mine  
Depends upon the vein.  
No. 26.—Illustrated Zigzag: 1. Judge. 2. Heart. 3. Cuffs. 4. Knife. 5. Bugle. 6. Sword. 7. Bison. 8. Money. 9. Noose.  
No. 27.—A Hidden Flower: Dandelion.  
No. 28.—Metagram: Dart, mart, part, cart, tart.  
No. 29.—Anagrams: 1. Imagination. 2. Strategem. 3. Monarch. 4. Question. 5. Patriarch. 6. Artist. 7. Sweetheart. 8. Absence. 9. Majority. 10. Moments. 11. Granite.  
No. 30.—Geographical Enigma: Manchester.

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The stamps of France are manufactured on a large scale, and the number turned out in a single day at the government stamp printing office on the Boulevard Brune, in Paris, would probably supply the state of Borneo for ten years. No less than 190 men and boys and 60 women are constantly employed, and about 100 machines for printing, gumming and perforating the stamps are kept running six days out of the week. During the process of manufacture the sheets of partly-or completely-printed stamps are counted by different persons as many as eleven times that the government may run no risk of loss through the dishonesty of any clerk employed. The ink used for printing the stamps is very carefully prepared in order to produce a uniformity of color in each printing. Each new lot of ink is tested and if not of the desired shade is rejected. It is said that even the temperature of the room affects the shade, and that the press rollers give off a deeper shade after they have been in use several hours than when first put in motion. Therefore it is not strange that slight color variations are noticed in comparing several stamps of the same issue.

The gumming of the early issues was done by hand, a large paint brush being used for applying the mucilage. The stamps now pass over rollers moistened with glue, and the process is entirely mechanical.

It takes but eleven minutes to glue and dry the sheets, after which they are ready for the perforating machines. The perforator is a comb-shaped device which pricks holes in parallel lines between the rows of stamps on the sheet. It rises and falls eighteen times before a sheet is completely perforated, so that the perforating is the costliest and slowest part of the operation. Perforators of various sizes are used as it is said that scarcely two sheets of stamps, after undergoing the shrinkage due to the process of gumming, are of exactly the same length. Each sheet is measured up and run through the perforator which best fits the margins of the stamps. As a rule the stamps of France are well centered, which helps to make them attractive specimens.

Few of the new stamps have thus far made their way into this country, but it will not be

long before every collector will possess at least 5 or 6 varieties, as the stamps are so commonly used throughout the French Republic that they cannot remain scarce in this country many days longer.

S. E. Palmer, a stamp fraud, was arrested at Campbell, N. Y., the other day, through the prompt action of W. C. Estes, the Omaha stamp dealer. This has been a cold winter for the stamp thief, and several have already been nipped in the ears.

The Boston Public Library, through donations made by the Boston Philatelic Society and others, has established a department devoted to philatelic literature, containing a fine collection of catalogues and periodical literature pertaining to stamps.



Our group of illustrations exhibits a number of stamps which have recently appeared, or which deserve to be mentioned in connection with other issues which have come to displace them after the former were in circulation for a limited time only. The 1st, 2nd and 4th are the new French stamps mentioned last month, of which 15 varieties from 1c to 5f have been reported. The 3rd stamp is one of a series just issued by Paraguay, and the same design has been utilized for a set of of-

ncials. The 5th is a curious stamp for the native Indian state of Orcha. The 6th represents the new 10c envelope stamp for Hong Kong. The 7th stamp is one of 9 values for the Dominican Republic. The 8th and 9th are two of several surcharged German stamps for colonial use. Some of these were in use but a few months before a new, permanent set appeared for all these German colonies. The surcharged specimens will doubtless advance in price. The next stamp is from Labuan, and we learn that this entire set (series of 1897) has undergone a change of color. Northern Nigeria is one of the latest British possessions to issue stamps. We caught and held the famous monkey on the North Borneo stamp just long enough to take his photograph, and here it is. Few collectors have yet seen the new 1-2p stamp of Queensland. The 1900 set of Siam (see 1st stamp in last row) are destined to become rare stamps since another issue has recently appeared with the king's portrait slightly turned to the left. The next is the 50c surcharged stamp for Suriname, and the last the 1900 set of Bosnia of which a new value, 40h, has just appeared in the same design, and a 1 and 2 crowns, both of similar design but larger.

The post-office department will have a fine display of U. S. and foreign stamps on exhibition at Buffalo. A specialist at Washington, with several assistants, were ten days in arranging and mounting in frames the stamps which had accumulated at the capitol since 1892, when the last collection was put in shape for the World's Fair.

The limited use of the \$1. documentary, red, which has now been displaced by the new stamp in gray, will cause the red stamp to become rare, especially in uncut condition.

The growth of the Canadian postal system in the past thirty years is strikingly illustrated by the following figures: In 1870 there were 3820 post offices in Canada. Today there are over 9700. Then, 29,430 miles covered the total postal route. Today it is more than double that. The postal receipts in 1870 were about one million dollars, but since then they have quadrupled.

Seven \$1000 revenue stamps and a \$500 specimen were placed on a railway mortgage of \$1,500,000 the other day in Chicago. These stamps, in fine, uncut condition, are extremely rare, the higher value selling for about \$125, and the other for from \$60 to \$70 each.

It is to be regretted that the stamp magazines in this country do not make it a practice, as in Germany and France, of illustrating new issues either by full or reduced-size drawings. Two of our most popular papers seem to have given up the use of cuts almost entirely, within the past six months. Since the cost of engraving by means of the photographic process has been considerably reduced, the expense ought not to stand in the way of any well-to-do magazine which undertakes to inform and entertain its readers. Cuts, in the case of new issues, tell the story so much better than words can, that the REALM makes use of them whenever it is possible, and doubtless that is one reason why the stamp pages of the REALM have become so popular during the past few years.

A 10p on 20p Serbia is the first surcharged variety from this country.

The famous philatelist Mons. Mirabaud possesses the complete first issue of Hawaii, with type varieties, valued at almost \$7,000. His specialty, however, is the stamps of Switzerland, and his collection of these stamps alone is worth \$40,000.

Take good care of the cheap stamp of today, for some day it may become transformed into a veritably rare specimen. Not so very many years ago a set of Executive stamps was sold by a Philadelphia dealer for 25c. This set of 5 stamps to-day catalogues not far short of \$50. Such rises do not take place in a night, but every year certain stamps advance.



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Look sharply at your Canadian 2c maple-leaf stamps surcharged on the 3c value, as counterfeit surcharges are being placed on the stamps. If the surcharge is printed on top of the cancellation, the stamp is not genuine. As the false surcharge is a good imitation of the genuine one, this is the best way to detect the counterfeit.

Proceedings have been taken to dismiss the cases against C. F. W. Neely, upon which he is now held in heavy bonds, and Neely will be sent back to Cuba as soon as the formal order is received from the State Department directing his return. Neely will be there tried on the charge of stealing the post-office funds at Havana. Some months ago we mentioned the case, at the time Neely was apprehended.

As economical as a local society can be, it takes more than "faith, hope and charity" to keep it running. For the year 1900 the Chicago Philatelic Society paid out \$234.76 in cash for room rent, printing, postage, and incidental expenses. As the receipts from dues amounted to \$319.25, however, a cash balance of nearly \$100. was left in the treasury at the end of the year, to go towards the support of the society for the present year. Chicagoans take pride in the fact that their society is the largest and most prosperous of any local society in the country; and this

being taken into consideration, the cost to maintain it cannot be called an extravagant one.

Enthusiasm over stamps is not a constant quantity with all collectors. Some possess too little while others have enough to make up for any lack of it in their brother collectors. We heard of a collector, the other day, who travels 18 miles to attend the meetings of the nearest stamp society. A few more as zealous as he, and philately would enjoy a success beyond the hopes of the optimist.

Since 1895 Korea has been springing a new issue of stamps on us every year or two, and according to the latest report has another series in contemplation which is expected to appear about next July. The reason for so many changes in her postal issues is partly due to changes in her monetary system, and as the last issue, of which we have heard of 6 values, is expressed in re's and cheun's, a further change is necessary to place the values in cents and dollars. The new set will consist of 13 values, from 1-5c to \$2.

If the stamps appear on time the 1900 set (see illustrations) will become scarce owing to the limited time they will be in circulation. Korea has issued 21 stamps since 1885, and for some reason, possibly owing to their brilliant colors and odd designs, they have all been popular stamps with collectors. It is not generally known that the 1895 issue, which was afterwards surcharged in native characters, constituting the 1897 set, was printed in Washington. The last set was prepared at home, but the intended issue is to be made in Europe from lack of ability to produce the stamps in Seoul where the government printing plant of Korea is located.

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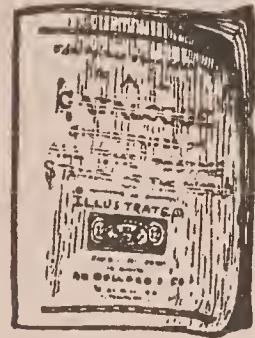


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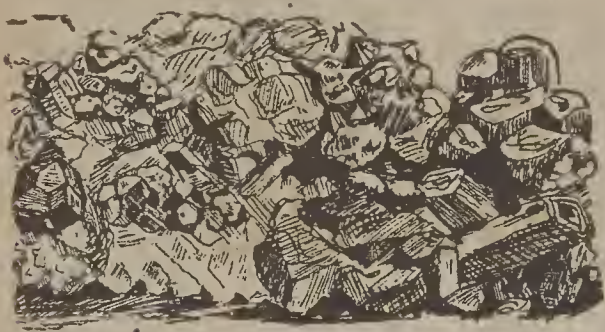
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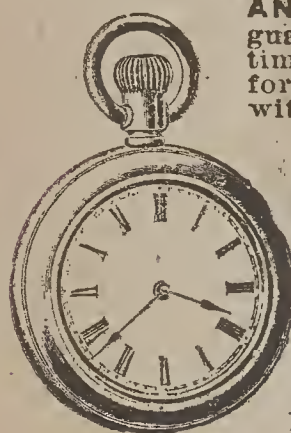


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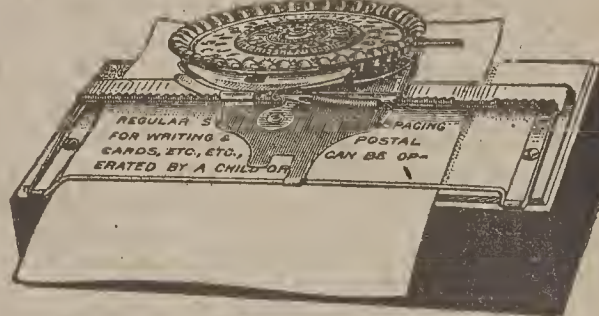


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